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Atsushi UMEDA

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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

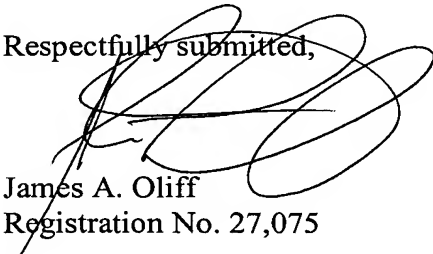
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Sir:

A personal interview was conducted on March 8, 2005 between Applicants' representative and Examiner Leda Pham and Primary Examiner Dang Le at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

During the interview, the claim amendments and arguments as provided in the March 2, 2005 Amendment, were discussed and reviewed in light of the figures of both the application and the applied reference of Liang (U.S. Patent 6,570,289). Upon review of the specific features recited in the amended claims, the Examiners agreed that the claim amendments distinguish over the applied reference. The Examiners further indicated that an additional search would be conducted in light of the claim amendments.

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